

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : EXAMINER : ROBINSON, K.

MASAKAZU TAKAHASHI, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION

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FOR: SOYBEAN CONTAINING HIGH

LEVELS OF FREE AMINO ACIDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.